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RE: *SN 10/606,275 "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR RESOLUTION OF PROBLEMS USING CONSTRAINED DISCRETE VARIABLES" - Marc Mezard et al.*  
*(Your Ref.: Q376 US)*

Commissioner:

Please find enclosed:

1. A Submission of Formal Drawings (FIGS. 1-7c on 6 sheets); and
2. A return postcard to acknowledge receipt of these materials. Please date stamp and mail this postcard.

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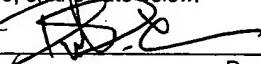
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**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

Marc Mezard et al.

Serial No.: 10/606,275

Filed: June 25, 2003

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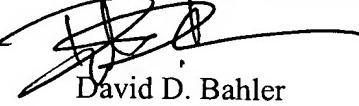
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Applicants hereby submit the formal drawings for the above-referenced application and request that these drawings be accepted for filing.

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